



Hi Lucy,

My Maine DOE colleagues were able to secure [2 Maine AmeriCorps State grants](#) for the upcoming school year and would like to invite summer camp counselors to apply using the QR code on the attached flyer (attached copies are identical). Would you share this email and attached flyer with all Maine summer camp directors?

This is a great opportunity to delve into hands-on experience with education as either a teacher helper at the Pre-K level - at various locations throughout the state - or at the first year of high school level - at either Bonny Eagle High School located in Standish, ME or Noble High School located in North Berwick, ME. This opportunity to join the Maine Department of Education (DOE) will allow you to expand your impact in education through with one of two different cohorts of AmeriCorps members focused on supporting Child Development Services (CDS) preschool classrooms (CDS AmeriCorps) and incoming high school students in two rural schools (Maine AmeriCorps Mentors for Success).

Child Development Services, a quasi-state agency providing special education services to eligible children from birth to 5 years old, has partnered with First4 AmeriCorps to make this opportunity possible through a program that includes receiving valuable early education training and supports, gaining vital hours of experience and mentoring in CDS preschool programs available throughout the state, and working with students with disabilities.

In another program focusing on older students, the Maine DOE Office of School and Student Supports has partnered with two rural high schools in York County to provide AmeriCorps members to support incoming high school students. The Maine AmeriCorps Mentors for Success opportunity is for AmeriCorps Members to support designated at-risk first-year high school students by providing mentoring and academic support to help give students the tools they need to have a successful high school experience. The AmeriCorps member will also recruit and mentor multiple high school students to become peer mentors themselves to younger students in either elementary or middle schools. AmeriCorps members will also promote school-based extended learning opportunity (ELO) programs to high school students. Finally, Members will have the opportunity to support a teacher or other staff person in the school (based on mutual interest) and receive mentoring from that staff person.

With gratitude,

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